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THE GREAT BATTLE OF SHARPSBURG.

Splendid Description of the Engagement.

DESPERATION OF THE REBELS.

Heroic Determination of our Troops.

TERRIBLE FIGHTING OF HOOKER'S DIVISION.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.]

BATTLE FIELD OF SHARPSBURG,
Wednesday Evening, Sept. 17, 1862.

A fierce and desperate battle between 200,000 men has raged since daylight, yet night closes on an uncertain field. It is the greatest fight since Waterloo—all over the field contested with an obstinacy even to Waterloo. If not wholly a victory to-night, I believe it is the prelude to a victory to-morrow. But what can be foretold of a fight in which from five in the morning till seven at night the best troops of the continent have fought without decisive result?

The battle began with the dawn. Morning found both armies just as they had slept, almost close enough to kick into each other's eyes. The left of Meade's reserves and the right of Ricketts' line became engaged at nearly the same moment, one with artillery, the other with infantry. A battery was almost immediately pushed forward beyond the central woods, over a plowed field, near the top of the slope where the corn-field began. On this open field, in the corn beyond, and in the woods which stretched forward into the broad fields, like a promontory into the ocean, were the hardest and deadliest struggles of the day.

For half an hour after the battle had grown to its full strength, the line of fire swayed neither way. Hooker's men were fully up to their work. They saw their general everywhere in front, never away from the fire, and all the troops believed in their commander, and fought with a will. Hooker was shot when were the same men who under McDowell fell broken at Manassas.

The half hour passed, the rebels began to give way a little, only a little, but at this first indication of a receding fire, Forward was the word, and on went the line with a cheer and a rush. Back across the corn-field, back over dead and wounded behind them, over the fence, and across the road, and then back again into the edge of the wood which closed around them went the retreating rebels.

Meade and his Pennsylvanians follo ed hard and fast—followed till they came within easy range of the woods, commanded by the stars of their beaten enemy disappearing—followed still, with another cheer, and flung themselves against the cover.

But out of those gloomy woods came suddenly and heavily terrible volleys—volleys more sudden, more fatal, and broke in a moment that eager front, and hurled them in swift rout for half the distance they had won. Not swiftly, nor in panic, any further. Closing up their shattered lines, they faced slowly away—a regiment where a brigade had been, nearly a brigade where a division had been, victorious. They had not from the woods the first volleys of musketry from fresh troops —had met them and returned them till their line had yielded and gone down before the weight of fire, and till the ammunition was exhausted.

In ten minutes the fortune of the day seemed to have changed. It was the rebels now who were advancing, pouring out of the woods in endless lines, sweeping through the corn-field from which their comrades had just fled. Hooker sent in the nearest brigade to attack them, but it could not do the work. He called for another. There was nothing close enough, unless he took it from his right. His right might be in danger if it was weakened, but his center was already threatened with annihilation. Not hesitating one moment, he sent to Doubleday: "Give me your best brigade instantly."

The best brigade came down the hill to the right of the run, went through the timber in front through a storm of shot and bursting shell and crushing limbs, over the open field beyond, and stretched its line across the field. It was the last reserve to advance. He had thrown himself in the very front. Swaying unsteadily on his horse, he turned his head to look about him. "There is a regiment to the right. Order it forward! Crawford and Gordon are coming up. Tell them to carry these woods and hold them, and it is our fight!"

It was found that the bullet had passed completely through his foot. The surgeon who examined it on the spot could give no opinion whether bones were broken, but it was afterwards ascertained that both bones had been fractured. Of course the severity of the wound made it impossible for him to keep the field, which he believed already won, so far as it belonged to him, to win it. It was nine o'clock. The fight had been furious since five. A large part of his command was broken, but with all right still untouched, and with Crawford's and Gordon's brigades just up, above all, with the advance of the whole central line which the fire had heard around with delight, and with a regiment already on the edge of the woods he wanted, he might well leave the field, thinking the battle won—that his battle was won, for I am writing, of course, only about the attack on the rebel left.

I see no reason why I should disguise my admiration of Gen. Hooker's bravery and soldierly ability. Remaining nearly all the morning on the right, I could not help seeing the splendid examples of his manliness, how completely his troops were kept in hand, how devotedly they trusted to him, how keen was his insight into the battle how every opportunity was seized and every reverse was checked and turned into another success. By this the more unsuccessfully, because I have no personal relations whatever with him, never saw him till the day before the 6th, and don't like his politics or opinions in general. But that was politics in such a battle!

Sumner arrived just as Hooker was leaving, and assumed command. Crawford and Gordon had gone into the woods, and were hotly engaged with heavy odds. As I rode over toward the left I met Sumner at the head of his column advancing rapidly through the timber, opposite the point where Crawford was fighting. The veteran general was riding slowly in the forest far ahead of his leading brigade, his hat off, his gray hair and beard and mustache strangely contrasting with the fire in his eyes and his martial air, as he hurried on to where the bullets were thickest.

Sedgwick's division was in advance, moving to hand to support Crawford and Gordon. Rebel reinforcements were approaching also, and the struggle for the roads was again to be renewed. Sumner sent forward two divisions, Richardson and French, on the left. Sedgwick moving in column of divisions through the woods in rear, deployed and advanced in line over the corn field. There was a broad interval between him and the nearest division, and he saw that if the rebel line were complete his own division was in immediate danger of being flanked. But his orders were to advance, and those are the orders which a soldier—and Sedgwick is every inch a soldier —lives best to obey.

To extend his own front as far as possible, he ordered the 34th New York to move by the left flank. The maneuver was attempted under a fire of the greatest intensity, and the regiment broke. At the same moment the enemy, perceiving the advantage, came round on that flank. Crawford was ordered to give on the right, and his troops pouring in confusion through the ranks of Sedgwick's advance brigade, threw it into disorder and back on the second and third lines. They enemy advanced, their fire increasing.

Gen. Sedgwick was there three times wounded, in the shoulder, leg and ankle, and he persisted in remaining on the field so long as there was a chance of saving it. His adjutant general, Major Sedgwick, bravely rallying and trying to reform the troops, was shot through the body, the bullet lodging in the spine, and fell from his horse. Even as the wound is, it is probably not mortal. Lieut. Howe, of Gen. Sedgwick's staff, endeavored vainly to rally

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A FINAL SUMMARY.

From all quarters of the State we continue to receive assurances that the War Democrats are deeply dissatisfied with the doings of the late Tory, mis-named Democratic, Convention at Springfield, and that they are breaking out or overleaping the barriers that party organization has set up, in such numbers that the result of the contest in November can be a matter of no doubt if the friends of the Union and Constitution do half their duty before that contest comes off. We entrust them in every county that this paper will reach to wake up the importance of their work, and by close compact and early organization insure the result that *must be* attained. Now is the time to begin. The Knights of the Golden Circle are already at work.

THE SITUATION.

"Yes," said a Tory, in conversation with one of the editors of this paper, a day or two ago, "yes, we will carry this next Congress, and then we will put the d—ned "Abolitionists just where we want them. "We will hang every mother's son of them!"

We have this to say: Gentlemen, carry the Congress if you can, but do it without any threats of throat-cutting or hanging. Should you happen to be unsuccessful, your chickens may come home to roost. Or should you be too rampant your leaders may adorn a lamp post before the day of voting comes. The Republicans, or, if the phrase is any more obnoxious, the Abolitionists, do not propose to make war upon anybody but the secessionists; but be warned in time, they do not propose to act the part of the Girondists and have their weazens slit without giving the enemy the best fight in the shop. They want peace if they can have it; but if war at home must come, they are ready to begin. They wait your pleasure. That's all.

OUR PAROLED TROOPS.

The rebels have adopted a method of capturing Federal forts, posts, stockades and detachments that is working to a charm for them. It consists in marching to the vicinity of a Federal force, throwing a few shells at them, exchanging a few volleys, making some threatening demonstrations of storming the place; then sending in a summons to surrender, offering instant parole with side arms and personal effects and a safe escort to the Federal lines. The temptation to accept such terms, proves irresistable in far too many instances. The troops that thus surrender, are relieved from farther duty and danger, are sent North, where *they continue to draw pay and rations with nothing to do.*

The War Department ought to discourage this business, by at least stopping their pay from the hour of the surrender. Within the last three months not less than 25,000 federal soldiers have surrendered to the seceeh and accepted their immediate parole, and in not one such instance was the surrender preceded by a manly resistance, such as the country has a right to expect at the hands of its soldiers.

THE ONLY SAFE POLICY.

The readers of the TRIBUNE will bear witness that it has uniformly maintained the opinion that emancipation was the only policy that would prevent the transfer of a large negro population from the South to the North. We have held that the climate, productions and associations of the South were such that the emancipated slave, when once rid of the fear that he could be again reduced to bondage, would not willingly quit it—that all his preferences, as a free man, confident of the continued enjoyment of his natural rights, would be for the home of his childhood, the sunny sky and mild temperature of the slave States, and the people and the labor to which he was most accustomed. We have contended that nothing but slavery could make him accept the climate and social conditions of the free States, and that were the South open to free colored men, under trusted guaranties of their personal security against man-stealing, the North would be cleared of the blacks who now endure its rigors rather than incur the risk of perpetual and galling servitude.

The news from Cairo confirms us in these often expressed opinions; and it ought to convince the most skeptical that we are now, as we have all the while been, right. The telegraph tells us that the colored men and women who have long hung upon Gen. Grant's army, near enough to headquarters to be secure against capture, are making into Cairo by thousands, and that the government is sorely puzzled how to provide for them. The plan is not more simple than effective: when the army again turns its front southward, let it conquer and emancipate as it goes, and not only will each district and State, once purged of the cause of the rebellion, remain loyal, but every black man who now finds his safety in flight, will return to the home, and probably to the plough and furrow that he left. Any other course will deluge the North with a population against which the blind and unreasoning prejudices of our people are already too much excited. Mark the prediction.

LYING BULLETINS.

Brother Jonathan has always been accused by John Bull of being a braggart. He is charged with boasting that he can whip all creation, but never having done anything to prove it; and always strutting and swelling in the most absurd and offensive way. It must indeed be admitted that the Yankee is of a sanguine temperament, with large hope, and is ever gazing into a most gorgeous and rosy vision of the future. Sometimes we know that his boundless faith and intense self-confidence betray him into the cherishing of great expectations, which coming events dash very rudely to the ground, leaving him overwhelmed with grief and humiliation. But we do not seem to learn much by such lessons however bitter; and although to-day made sick by the enormous pile of false victories, and imaginary successes, with which our credulous vanity has been stuffed; we shall be just as ready to swallow to-morrow the same absurd rumors and bloated reports, of battles won and glory gained, though just as lying and equally pernicious. Indeed we hardly know anything more mischievous than the effects produced by the exaggeration of real successes, and the enormous inventions of false ones, with which the telegraph wires have, during the last week, been crowded; and the big and swelling bulletins with which the journals have misled the people.

After such imaginary victories of enormous and unparalleled proportions, any reasonable and real success seems too small to merit notice; if it does not even shrink entirely out of sight, or appear to be none other than a virtual defeat. When the telegraph proclaims one day that we have taken 40,000 prisoners; and, rising with the occasion, on the next spreads on all the winds the still greater, and equally reliable, tidings that we have now taken 80,000; any ordinary captures, such as made Waterloo or Solferino splendid successes, seem to us no better than disastrous failures. So when rumor fills our ears with the marvelous movements by which the whole rebel army was surrounded, and the magnificent strategy by which they were cut off from the fords, and all bagged with their munitions and supplies, how utterly tame, if not absolutely contemptible, sounds to us the simple truth, that after a fierce struggle from daylight till dark, the most heroic fighting and endurance, with a courage and devotion worthy of all praise and gratitude, our noble army gained a victory. The lying telegraphs and the exaggerating bulletins are begetting a feeling of dissatisfaction with any ordinary success, and a readiness to keep back from our brave soldiers and their able commanders that just meed of admiration and praise that they have fairly won, and which it is both mean and cruel to withhold. This taking prisoners by the fifty thousands; bagging whole armies in one day's sport; or ending the rebellion by one crushing blow, are only fond fancies and dissolving visions, springing from distempered brains; and however wide they may be spread by telegraph, or however largely printed on bulletin boards, can lead to nothing but grievous disappointment, and, perhaps, serious disaster.

Still it is comforting to see, however preposterous it may be at times, the boundless confidence we have in our success, and irresistible conviction that we can trample down, beat clear under, and utterly crush out this rebellion. There is something cheering also in the exhibition of this confident belief in our tremendous strength, and irresistible valor, which make the begging of whole armies and the total overthrow of a great power such an easy thing, and just what we may expect to hear of, some pleasant day this autumn. It must be gratifying to the army to know that such is our faith in their strength and prowess, that we expect them to do better and more than any other army since the world began has been able to do. They must all be glad to know our good opinion of them, and cheered by it, will go on to do all they can, in the same spirit of resolution and devotion they have always shown; will still keep on beating the foe, and advancing the flag of the Union until it floats over every State. But they, we are assured, must also feel that we are cheerfully laying very great expectations, if we suppose they can take as many prisoners as the telegraph can; or bag the whole rebel army at once in the same way the bulletin has. And we doubt not that the army will most earnestly protest, as they have the best right to do, against the meanness and injustice, which denies them full credit for all their toils and sacrifices, every daring act and noble effort, though they may not come quite up to the overgrown standard of the telegraph, or fail to meet all the preposterous wishes and absurd hopes of those who feed on rumors, and believe the big-lettered lies of the bulletins.

POLITICAL.

LA SALLE COUNTY.—The Republican county convention met at Ottawa on the 17th. The attendance was large. The following gentlemen were elected delegates to the State convention: A. C. Hough, James Warnick, Herman Silver, David Strong, M. Riffle, Jacob Augustine, W. J. Wilson, S. D. Brewster and B. J. Cook. Delegates were also elected to the Congressional convention, which meets at Morris to-day, and they were instructed to vote for B. C. Cook for Congress. The following county ticket was nominated:

Sheriff—William Cullen.
Coroner—T. D. Thompson.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY.—The following gentlemen are delegates to the State convention: S. M. Church, Porter Sheldon, A. O Pennoyer, R. J. Cross, and Horace Miller. Hon. Seldon M. Church was nominated for Representative by acclamation.

LAKE COUNTY.—E. P. Ferry, Joseph L. Williams and Joseph Burnett were elected delegates to the State convention. Delegates to the Congressional and Senatorial convention were also appointed. The following county ticket was nominated:

Representative—H. H. Haines of Waukegan.
Sheriff—P. A. Brown of Warren.
Coroner—Dr. Joseph Burnett of Vernon.

WILL COUNTY.—The Republicans of Will county have nominated John Read for sheriff and Charles Drummond for coroner. Delegates were appointed to the Congressional convention, and instructed to vote for Hon. J. O. Norton.

FULTON COUNTY.—J. W. Ingersoll, A. C. Babcock, J. B. Kelley, Hugh LaMarter, Henry Phelps, Ira T. Elrod, C. Bronson and Joseph Mershon, are delegates to the Republican State convention.

Maine Election.

Returns from 348 towns give a total vote for governor as follows:

Coburn (Republican)	42,913
Bradbury (Peace Democrat)	30,466
Jameson (Democrat)	6,738—37,208
Coburn's majority	5,705

Coburn's majority will be about 7,000, and Coburn's plurality over Bradbury about 14,000. The vote this year will be about 10,000 short of that of last. Probably 10,000 of this deficiency is from Republicans who have gone to the war.

Gen. Mansfield.

The telegraph has announced the melancholy intelligence that Brigadier General Joseph K. F. Mansfield was killed in the battle of Wednesday in front of Sharpsburg, Md. He was a veteran in the service; born in Connecticut in 1806; graduated at West Point in 1822; served as lieutenant sixteen years; was made captain in 1838; served under Gen. Taylor in Mexico; was breveted major for gallant conduct in the defense of Fort Brown; was breveted lieutenant colonel after the battle of Monterey; was appointed inspector general of the United States army in 1853; commanded the forces for the defense of Washington in April of last year. He was assigned to the command of the troops then in the vicinity in front of Richmond, during the past winter, and was stationed at Newport News. He remained there until a few weeks ago, when he was recalled to Washington, and placed at the head of a division under McClellan. He was one of the bravest and most accomplished of our generals, and his loss will be a severe calamity to the country.

Col. Capron—An Experienced Officer.

It will appear by the following extract from the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, of this city, a very influential journal, one of whose editors is an old personal friend of Col. Horace Capron, that the Illinois Light Cavalry is fortunate in having assigned as its commander a man of more than ordinary qualifications for the post. He is, it seems no mere paper colonel, and has the very best of blood in his veins:

"We see it announced that Colonel H. Capron and Mr. J. W. Fuller, of Peoria, have received authority from the war department to raise a regiment of cavalry in this State for the State at large.

"We have seen Col. Capron at the head of a magnificent cavalry corps under the command of Maryland, and we heartily advise and recommend all our readers who may prefer this branch of the army, to enlist under his guidance; every inch a soldier and a complete gentleman, he will see to the comfort and efficiency of his men.

"Success to Col. Capron and his regiment. He is of Revolutionary stock; his father, Dr. Capron of Newberg, New York, was with Gen. Washington when he crossed the North River, on taking leave of the army at New York. The stock continues good. One cousin of his name was among the first to enlist when the war opened, and the colonel would ere this have been in the fray if the government had needed cavalry, for which he is specially qualified."

In relation to one of the two sons above alluded to—Horace—it may be mentioned that, having enlisted as a private in the 9th Illinois cavalry, such have been his efficiency and bravery that he has risen to an honorable position in his company, having been recommended for a commission, and been presented with a medal by his commanding general for special acts of heroism. So that the Revolutionary stock is not degenerating in this instance.

From Richmond.

Private advices from Richmond say that the rebel steamer Merrimac No. 2 is entirely completed, with the exception of a little joiner work, and will be ready for action this week. We learn also that sutler's goods are now plenty in Richmond, traders having but little difficulty in getting them from Washington. Salt is also now abundant, and the crops are good. On the whole, the feeling there is cheerful, though Henry A. Wise is very despondi g, as he thinks the management of the war is in wrong hands. Richmond traders were buying up United States treasury notes at a premium, to pay for goods purchased in Washington and Baltimore. Since Gen. McClellan has resumed command of our army, the national prisoners in Richmond are treated with much less rigor.

A "Stonewall" Regiment.

One of the new regiments from Michigan (the 17th) during one of the recent engagements in Maryland, after fighting like veterans, fell short of ammunition. Instead of hunting over the field for the proper officer to write them an order for a new supply, as has been always the case heretofore in the army of the Potomac, they coolly marched to the army wagons, replenished their cartridge boxes and returning to the strife, charged over a stone wall upon Drayton's South Carolina brigade, which they shot annihilated. The 17th Michigan is the "Stonewall" regiment, and the South Carolinians will long remember with grief these "new recruits from country towns."

The Privateer "290."

It was announced a few weeks since that the formidable English-built rebel steamer "290," or Alabama, had set sail from Liverpool, and the navy department of her advent. The New York Times has information that a formidable Anglo-rebel steamer, mounting sixteen guns, has lately run the blockade at Mobile. Curiously enough, the London Times stated that this was the very thing she was destined to do, and as her armament was of a piratical character with that given the new craft, we fear there is only too much truth in the announcement. The worst part of the news is the statement that this vessel had on board 25,000 stand of arms. The chance of a few such successful ventures as this should lessen the wonder people feel at the abundant supply of arms the rebels seem to have, while our own war department can with difficulty arm the new troops now being raised.

The Wholesale Trade of Chicago.

It is marvelous to witness the changes that have taken place within two years in the trade of Chicago, both as to its character and its extent. Houses that then employed less than a dozen hands, now have from fifteen to forty, and are driven harder and more hours in a day, by the incessing tide of commerce that seems to come unbidden, almost, except by the preparations that are made to meet it by our enterprising merchants.

Any leading house in either branch of trade will foot up in a week's sales at the present time, an amount equal to their monthly sales in 1859, during the same period. The bulk of sales are for cash also, while formerly nearly all transactions were on time.

Then, merchants got large bills, coming to market only twice or thrice in a year. Now they come, in many instances, as often as once a month,—all of which goes to establish the fact that the best trade is concentrating here, and that a very much larger extent of country is represented than at any time in our history. We are proud to chronicle such evidences of the energy of our merchants, and of the appreciation of country dealers of the advantages of a home market. It is proper, too to observe, to state that the constantly rising markets of the seaboard have had much to do with this result.

Our heaviest dealers have bought largely for the fall and winter trade, very early in the season, enabling them to sell in Chicago below New York prices of same date. Quotations here and in New York, for three months past, carefully compared, will show quite a margin in favor of Chicago.

We have taken pains to visit many of our leading jobbers, and find that they are in full supply and ready to keep up this programme during the fall.

The results of the war have only begun to be realized on the cotton goods markets. If peace were declared to-day, the supply of raw material is so light, that no permanent reduction could be made in prices, though the moral effect of such an event might produce a downward tendency for a short period. A new crop of cotton must be raised before cotton goods can possibly decline to any extent. When that will take place, the Lord only knows; and when it is placed beyond a contingency as to time, the strongest evidences of gloom and everything pertaining to its growth in the South, are such, that a very small crop comparatively must be the result of the first year's labors We must, therefore, expect large prices for a long time to come, for cotton goods.

Gallantry of the 12th Illinois Cavalry.

On the 7th inst., Lieut. Col. Hausbrouck Davis, in command of a detachment of the 12th Illinois cavalry, on outpost duty about four miles from Martinsburg, was attacked by the famous Ashby cavalry. The command of Col. Davis numbered eighty in all, while the rebel cavalry were some 400 strong. The enemy endeavored, by firing from behind fences, barns, &c., to annihilate our force, when upon Col. Davis ordered a charge, and our men, with drawn sabres, dashed at once amidst them! You know, also, that the last session of Congress had a decided majority of antislavery men, who would not quite go with this policy. And the same is true of the religious people. Why, the rebel soldiers are praying with a great deal more earnestness than ever, then our own troops, and expecting God to favor their side; for one of our soldiers, who had been taken prisoner, told Senator Wilson, a few days since, that he met with nothing so discouraging, as the evident sincerity of those he was among, in their prayers. But we will talk over the merits of the case.

"What *good* would a proclamation of emancipation from me do; especially as we are now situated? I do not want to issue a document that the whole world will see must necessarily be inoperative, like the Pope's bull against the comet! Would any *word* free the slaves, when I cannot even enforce the constitution in the rebel States? Is there a single court or magistrate, or marshal now in all those States, influenced by it there? And what reason is there to think, it would have any greater effect upon the slaves than the late law of Congress, which I approved, and which offers protection and freedom to the slaves of rebel masters, who come within our lines. Yet I cannot learn that that law has caused a single slave to come over to us. The president could not have meant to deny the well known fact, that the slaves have come to us in vast numbers whenever the way was open; but only that he could not trace the influence of that law! And suppose they could be induced by a proclamation of freedom from me, to throw themselves upon us, *what should we do with them?* How can we feed and care for such a multitude? General Butler wrote me, a few days since, that he was issuing more rations to the slaves who have rushed to him, than to all the white troops under his command. They *eat* and that is all: though it is true, General Butler is feeding the whites also, by the thousand; for it nearly amounts to a famine there. If, now, the pressure of the war should call off our forces from New Orleans, to defend some other point, what is to prevent the masters from reducing the blacks to slavery again; for I am told that whenever the rebels take any blacks prisoners, free or slave, they immediately auction them off? They did so with those they took from a boat they captured on the Tennessee River, a few days ago. And then *I am very unpersuasively attacked for it!* For instance, when after the late battles and near Bull Run, an expedition went out from Washington under a flag of truce, to bury the dead and bring in the wounded, and the rebels seized the blacks who went to help, and sent them into hopeless slavery, Horace Greely said in his paper, that the government would probably do nothing about it. And when I called in (Here your delegation suggested, that this was a gross outrage on a flag of truce, which covers and protects all over which it waves, and that whatever he could do if *white* men had been similarly detained, he could do in this case.)

"Then, tell me, if you please, what possible result of good would follow the issuing of such a proclamation as you desire? Understand, *I raise no objections against it, on legal or constitutional grounds*; for as commander-in-chief of the army and navy, in time of war, I suppose I have a right to take any measure against the life of the enemy. Nor do I urge objections of a moral nature, in view of possible consequences of insurrection and massacre at the South. I view the matter as a practical war measure, to be decided upon according to the advantages or disadvantages it may offer to the suppression of the rebellion."

Thus invited, your delegation very will ingly made reply, to the following effect; it being understood, that a portion of the remarks were intermingled by the way of conversation with those of the president [as will see]:

We observed (taking up the president's ideas in order) that good men indeed differed in their opinions on this subject; nevertheless *the truth was somewhere*, and it was a matter of solemn moment for him to ascertain it; think and feel how he was wanting in respect alike to ourselves and to him, as to come a thousand miles to bring merely *our opinions* to be set over against the opinion of other parties; that the memorial contained facts, principles and arguments, which appealed to the intelligence of the president and to his faith in Divine Providence. That he could not deny that the Bible denounced oppression as one of the highest of crimes, and threatened divine judgments against nations that practice it; that our cousin, had been exceedingly guilty in this respect, both at the North and South; that our just proclaimed has come by a slaveholder's rebellion; that the virus of secession is found wherever is the virus of slavery extended and no farther; so that there is the smallest reason for expecting to avert Divine judgments by putting away the sin, and for hoping to remedy the national troubles by striking at their cause.

We observed further, that we freely admitted the probability, and even the certainty, that God would reveal the path of duty to the president as we had it to others; that we sought to learn it in the appointed way; but as according to his own remark, Providence was shown by means and not miraculously, it might be, God would use the suggestions and arguments of other minds to secure that result. We felt the deepest, personal interest in the matter as of national concern, and would fain aid the thoughts of our president by communicating the convictions of the Christian community from which we came, with the ground upon which they were based.

That it was true, he could not now enforce the constitution in the South; but we could see in that fact no reason whatever for not proclaiming emancipation, but rather the contrary. The two ought to be considered as different things; the latter would aid, and in truth was necessary to re-establish the former; and the two could be made operative together, as fast as our armies might their way southward, while we had yet to fear that he proposed to abandon the constitution because of the present failing in its power.

As to the inability of Congress to agree on this policy at the late session, it was quite possible, in view of the momentous events, there might be more unanimity at another meeting. The members have met their constituents and have had their sentiments submitted to the wisdom of emancipation, especially since late reverses have awakened thought as to the extreme peril of the nation, and made bold men as well as good men ready that we have to deal with God in this matter. Men of the most opposite previous views, were now uniting in calling for this measure.

That to proclaim emancipation, would secure the sympathy of Europe and the whole civilized world, and would follow the blessing of such a proclamation as you desire? Understand, *I raise no objections against it, on legal or constitutional grounds*; for as commander-in-chief of the army and navy, in time of war, I suppose I have a right to take any measure against the life of the enemy. Nor do I urge objections of a moral nature, in view of possible consequences of insurrection and massacre at the South. I view the matter as a practical war measure, to be decided upon according to the advantages or disadvantages it may offer to the suppression of the rebellion."

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The Tribune.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1862.

THE CITY.

☞ See Assignees' Notice in to-day's advertisements.

☞ "Atlantic Monthly" and "Continental" for October have been received by McNally & Co., 81 Dearborn street.

RE-OPENING.—The first soiree of the season at Martine's Academy, will be given this evening.

PERSONAL.—Gov. Kirkwood, of Iowa, accompanied by his private secretary, Thomas H. Shephard, Esq., passed through this city last evening on his way to attend the meeting of the Governors of loyal states at Altoona.

CAVALRY BOOKS.—Cobbs' "U. S. Cavalry Tactics;" Nolan on the "Training of Cavalry Horses;" McClellan's European Cavalry, &c., &c., at Walsh's, corner of Madison street and Custom House Place.

ELGIN BATTERY.—On Friday last, the following gentlemen were selected officers of this battery. Captain, G. W. Kendrick; 1st Lieut., A. M. Wood; Jr. 1st Lieut., W. W. Paine. The election of the other officers was postponed.

STABBING AFFRAY.—On Saturday night two rival hack drivers became involved in a quarrel, when one of them, Thomas Carey by name, stabbed his antagonist several times with a pocket knife. The wounds inflicted were not of a very dangerous character, however. No arrest has yet been made.

☞ R. H. MASON, of the 72nd Illinois Regiment (First Board of Trade), will leave for his regiment on Wednesday morning. Persons wishing to send letters or small packages to friends in the 72nd, will please leave them at Mead & Johnson's, No 83 South Water street, before 9 o'clock p. m. to-day (Tuesday.)

EIGHTY-EIGHTH ILLINOIS VOLUNTEERS—COL. SHERMAN.—Joseph C. Thomas, Chaplain Eighty-eighth Illinois Volunteers, would hereby announce to those who have friends in the regiment that he will take to those friends any letters or packages that may be left at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms, Methodist Church block, in care of D. L. Moody, by Tuesday evening, Sept. 23d.

AID FOR THE SOLDIERS.—The Ladies' War Committee feel obliged to call upon the public [again], and beg those ladies who wish to aid the sick and wounded soldiers to meet at their rooms in Garrett Block, and assist them in making garments now much needed. Their rooms are open daily from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. The ladies hope to see their rooms crowded to-day.

DEATH FROM INTEMPERANCE.—On Saturday night a woman named Betsey Bell, the wife of John Bell, who lives at the corner of Curtis and Hubbard streets, died quite suddenly and under circumstances which gave rise to suspicions that she had been poisoned. On Sunday, Coroner James held an inquest which resulted in a verdict setting forth that the "deceased died of inflammation of the bowels induced by excessive intemperance."

THE EXCISE TAX.—Phil. Wadsworth, Esq., the Assessor appointed by the President for this county, under the act providing for internal revenue, passed by the last Congress, publishes an advertisement elsewhere, setting forth the requirements of the law. He has established his office at No.11 Dickey's Block, and appointed H. H. Bryant chief assistant. Dealers generally will find it to their interest to consult the advertisement and commence taking out their licenses immediately, as the time is short.

EXCURSIONISTS IN THE CITY.—Yesterday our city was visited by a large excursion party, composed of citizens of Elgin, Crystal Lake, McHenry, and Richmond. The excursion was gotten up by the members and friends of the Elgin Baptist Church. The party came in at 11 a. m., on an extra train upon the Chicago and Galena road, filling twenty-two passenger coaches.

After spending most of the day in strolling about the city and viewing the most prominent objects of interest, the visitors left again for home, well pleased with their excursion.

THE FIRST DEATH IN THE SEVENTY-SECOND REGIMENT.—Private Charles B. Dickinson of the 72d Illinois regiment, formerly of this city and connected with the Tabernacle Baptist Church and the Foster Mission Sabbath School died in the hospital at Paducah, of dysentery, on the 14th inst. There was something peculiarly sad in his death, in the fact that it be the first since the departure of the regiment. A friend writing to us from Columbus, of the encampment, says: His life while a soldier was an example of what a Christian life should be, and his was the joy and triumph of a Christian death. His last words to his comrades were, "to do their duty faithfully, and to come off conquerors through Christ and meet him in Heaven." Thus passed away from earth the first of many that will be called from the 72d. May they all be as well prepared to go as private Dickinson of company B."

ACCIDENT ON THE HORSE RAILWAY.—On Sunday afternoon, one of the State street cars broke down near Twelfth street, while coming to the city from Cottage Grove. The cause of the accident was the excessive load of passengers whose combined weight proved too much for the vehicle. No person was injured by the accident, and the passengers being quickly transferred to another car, proceeded on their way rejoicing.

This matter of overloading the street cars has become one of public complaint, especially upon Sundays. Large numbers of citizens, living in the southern part of the city, are necessitated to remain at home on the Sabbath from this fact alone. The unanimous voice of the public demands that the proprietors of this monopoly shall put on cars enough to accommodate the church-going public, as well as the frequenters of pleasure gardens. A company coining money out of the public has no right to disregard their wishes. We trust the day will soon arrive when citizens will no longer have to remain at home or stand up two miles, in cars crowded with a mixed company, often times an insult to a lady's presence. We shall have more to say upon this subject hereafter.

THE CAMPS AT COTTAGE GROVE.

Condition of the Troops.

There are now quartered at Camp Douglas and its environs, 8,000 troops, which are actively engaged in drilling and preparing themselves for the field. They comprise eight regiments of infantry—several of which are not yet full—and three companies of artillery. Two of these—the Mercantile and Miller's Battery—have been in camp several weeks. The third one, which at present is known as the Elgin Battery, came in last week, and is not yet fully organized.

The soldiers are provided with excellent quarters, and general good health, as well as cheerfulness of spirits, prevails among them. The dress parades which occur every afternoon, afford gratifying evidence of the progress being made in military science. Every man in camp, from the commandant to the humblest private, seems to vie with his comrades in the important duty of becoming a skilful, practical soldier, and in making such advancement in the profession of arms as will enable him to win laurels upon the battle-field. Honor to those upon this state whose patriotism and valor he is to represent.

Col. Tucker having applied to the Department for permission to have the grounds and barracks within Camp Douglas thoroughly cleaned up, at the expense of the Government, such permit has been given, and the work is now going on rapidly. It will not cease till there is the most complete renovation of the camp.

There are still about 150 secesh prisoners in the camp, who are too sick to be sent away immediately, but will be removed as soon as possible.

Religious services are held every Sunday afternoon, in camp, and are unusually well attended. Last Sabbath, these exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. Brantly, of the First Baptist Church and Rev. Dr. Ryder, of the First Universalist Church. The attendance was unusually large, and the soldiers gave excellent attention to the truths promulgated. Though the speakers represent two extremes of religious faith, yet on this occasion they were perfectly harmonious in doctrinal points, the discussion of which all other occasions awakens unpleasant and even acrimonious feelings.

All things considered, we think the morals of our troops at Cottage Grove will compare favorably with those quartered at any other point in the State; and no intelligent citizen can spend an hour or two at their beautiful encamping ground, mingling freely with officers and privates, without being impressed with the conviction that much credit is due worthy the good cause in which they have enlisted.

MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

Appointments of Delegates to the Springfield Convention.

City Improvements Contemplated.

THE CAIRO CONTRABAND QUESTION.

Correspondence Between Gen. Tuttle and May. Sherman.

REPORTS OF THE COMPTROLLER, CITY ATTORNEY AND SCHOOL AGENT.

The Common Council met in regular session last evening, his honor, Mayor Sherman, presiding. Present, Aldermen Botsford, Edwards, Hoyt, Bishop, Tillsworth, Hahn, Borgwardth, Schall, Holden, Brown, Harvey, Conlan, White, Woodman, Stanfield, Comisky and Sheridan.

A communication was received from the Mayor vetoing the ordinance passed at the late session of the Council, permitting the C. B. & Q. Railroad to lay a track on North street, but recommending that the road be permitted to lay down a track in the alley set forth in the ordinance.

Ald. Comisky moved to reconsider the vote by which the ordinance was passed. The motion prevailed, and the ordinance was referred to the Committees on Railroads, and Streets and Alleys in the West Division.

A petition from the residents of Wells street, between Madison and Adams streets, for the macadamizing of that street, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys of the South Division.

REPORT ON THE RIVER.

The report of Dr. Mahla upon the water in the Chicago River, accompanied by a bill of $150 for his services, was read. The report was elaborate, and set forth the numerous causes of the bad condition of the river. After a careful analysis, the chemist had ascertained that there was little or no current in the river, and consequently all impurities emptied into it were obliged to remain there. The chief causes of the odorous state of the river, are considered the distilleries, slaughter houses, &c., located along its banks.

Ald. Holden moved that the report be laid over and published, and that it be referred to the Mayor and Comptroller with power to act. The motion was carried.

THE STATE STREET BRIDGE.

Ald. White presented a petition for the erection of a bridge across the river at State street. Referred to the Committee on harbors and bridges.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Comptroller, setting forth that he had paid, received and canceled, all the certificates of the city which were payable on the 15 h inst., amounting, with the interest, to $217,304.24. Placed on file.

Geo. M. Higginson, Esq., tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Education. Accepted, and placed on file.

The monthly reports of the Comptroller were placed on file without being read.

A communication from S. S. Hyde, School Agent, was read, setting forth the receipts and expenditures of the school fund during the months of June, July and August, 1862. The receipts during that time were $15,381.87. The expenditures during the same term were $11,989.56. The report was placed on file.

The report of the City Attorney was read by that officer. It was a document of the very voluminous, giving in detail the suits in which the city was interested. The report was laid over and published.

JURIES.

A communication was read, from the Clerk of the Recorder's Court, in relation to the appointment of grand and petit jurors, and suggesting an order requiring each Alderman to report forty names from each ward for that purpose. The order was passed.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Board of Public Works recommended the improvements of the Lower Bay road, from North Avenue to Fullerton Avenue; of South Water street from Clark to Franklin; and of Canal street from Lake to Fulton sts. The communications were appropriately referred.

A communication was read from the Board of Public Works, setting forth that they had contracted for the improvement of South Water street from Lake to Franklin, and that a former appropriation was insufficient to meet the cost. An accompanying order for a further appropriation was passed.

ASSESSMENTS.

The assessments for the improvement of West Madison street were confirmed. The objection of Mark Skinner, on account of illegality, was overruled.

THE CAIRO CONTRABANDS.

A communication from the Mayor setting forth a dispatch from General Tuttle, at Cairo, in relation to the matter, and his reply as follows, was read:

CAIRO, Sept. 22, 1862.

TO THE MAYOR OF CHICAGO.—I have a large number of applications from your city for negro servants. Will you please communicate to me that they are properly put out to work. Will send them on as soon as a committee is appointed and I am notified of the same.

J. M. TUTTLE, Brigadier-General.

MAYOR SHERMAN'S REPLY.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Chicago, September 23, 1862.

J. M. TUTTLE, Brig.-Gen. Commanding at Cairo:

Your proposition to send imported negroes to Chicago, to work, seems to be in violation of the laws of this State, and a great imposition to the laboring population. I cannot give it my sanction, by appointing a committee, as you propose, or in any other way.

Yours, respectfully,

F. C. SHERMAN, Mayor of Chicago.

Ald. Comisky offered the following:

Resolved, That we, the aldermen of the city of Chicago, heartily approve of the action of our Mayor relative to the proposal to send negroes to this city; and that his answer to that proposal meets our unqualified approval.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES—Hoyt, Bishop, Hahn, Borgwardth, Schall, Brown, Conlan, Holden, Woodman, Stanfield, Comisky, Sheridan—11.

NAYS—Botsford, Edwards, Tillsworth, Holden, Harvey, White—6.

HARBORS AND BRIDGES.

The Committee on Harbors and Bridges, to whom was referred the petition for a bridge across the river at Rush street, reported an order authorizing proposals for building said bridge, when subscriptions to the amount of $10,000 and the right of way had been obtained, and authorizing the appropriation of $10,000, when such amount had been so secured, to pay the other half of the cost of building said bridge. The order and report were laid over.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Ald. Holden offered the following, which was passed:

Whereas, The sidewalks and culverts upon many of the streets within the city are in a dilapidated and dangerous condition, and accidents are frequently occurring in consequence of such defects and want of repair, and the city is being thereby greatly subjected to the risks of law suits and to liability for damages therefrom, and

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be, and they are hereby requested to cause a thorough examination to be made immediately of all the sidewalks and culverts in the city, and that in cases where they are found to be unsafe, they cause the necessary steps for that purpose to be taken with the least possible delay.

THE BOUNTY QUESTION.

The following, being the matter of raising bounties to fill up old regiments, (which was referred at the last special meeting), was received by the Council:

To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Chicago: The undersigned, to whom, as a special committee, was referred the matter of an appropriation, by the city of Chicago, to aid in filling regiments, by paying bounties, having had the matter under consideration, respectfully report that we know no legal method under our charter, whereby, at this time, we can make any appropriation, or provide by tax or otherwise for its payment. Respectfully,

F. C. SHERMAN,
GEO. A. MEECH,
S. S. HAYS.

The report was accepted.

CANTERBURY HALL.

The petition of A. J. Sink, proprietor of Canterbury Hall, asking that his yearly license might be continued at $100, was called up.

Ald. Holden moved to amend by substituting the sum of $500.

The merits and demerits of Canterbury Hall were freely discussed. Several of the Aldermen confessed to having occasionally attended the place, and expressed a variety of opinions as to the character and "moral tone" of the performances.

Ald. Holden's amendment was lost. Yeas 7, nays 9.

The remonstrances against the petition were then read.

Ald. Holden moved to amend by substituting $250 as the price of the license.

The vote on this amendment stood ayes 10, nays 6. The report was then adopted as amended.

HARBOR MASTER.

The Mayor submitted the appointment of Aaron Burke, as Harbor Master, and asked the concurrence of the Council. The appointment was confirmed.

NORTH MARKET HALL.

Ald. Harvey asked that the use of North Market Hall be granted for the purpose of military drill, two nights in each week. The request was referred to the Comptroller, with power to act.

The Council then adjourned.

THE VICTIMS OF THE INDIAN MASSACRES.—W. H. Woodbury, Esq., has just reached our city, duly accompanied by the Governor of Minnesota and by the Common Council of St. Paul, to solicit the aid of the benevolent in behalf of the poor refugees who have been driven from their homes by the merciless Indians of the Northwest. A meeting will be held at Trinity Church, on Jackson street, this Tuesday evening, at ½ o'clock, at which Mr. Woodbury will address the citizens of the condition of the people as he himself has seen it in the wards past. The public are invited to attend.

NOTICE.—The delegates to the Springfield Convention, appointed by the Convention yesterday, are requested to meet this afternoon, at 4 o'clock at the office of E. S. Williams in the Methodist Church Block.

FROM MISSOURI.

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are rising quite rapidly, and will probably swell the Lower Mississippi sufficiently for a few days for gunboat operations and to allow the Rastport to pass over the bar near Helena.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 22.—The following official report has been received from the expedition under Col. Burris, which has been in pursuit of Quantrell's guerilla band: "Since their raid on Osawba, for fourteen days our forces have been in hot pursuit of Quantrell through Jackson, Cass Johnson and Lafayette counties, unable to bring on an engagement other than an occasional picket skirmish, until the 19th, when about fifty of our cavalry came up with the enemy, five miles north of Pleasant Hill. A brisk fire was kept up for about ten minutes, when the enemy broke and run in confusion, leaving two of their dead on the field. We pursued them two miles further, when the enemy entered the woods, scattering in all directions. Enemy's loss unknown; our loss one killed.

A Piratical Gunboat Runs the Blockade at Mobile.

Negligence of the Officer in Command of the Federal Blockading Fleet.

HE IS PROMPTLY DISMISSED FROM THE SERVICE.

FLAG SHIP HARTFORD, PENSACOLA BAY, Sept. 8, 1862.

SIR:—I regret to be compelled again to make another mortifying acknowledgment of apparent negligence in the running of the blockade at Mobile by a ten gun gunboat, supposed to be Loyard's gunboat, Capt. Bullock. You will perceive, however, from Captain Wright's report herewith enclosed, that there was no want of vigilance. They saw her in good time, but failed to sink or capture her. Why Capt. Preble did not fire into her after she failed to stop or answer his hail, I cannot imagine. The commander of the Rachael Seaman says, and I believe they all say so, that there never was a finer opportunity for stopping a vessel until she passed through; that, however, when it was too late, tiny bogies fired on Oneida's bow. The Winona next, and the Rachael Seaman last.

Very respectfully, your ob'd't s'r'v't,

(Signed) H. H. BRADLEY,
Rear Admiral, comd'g West Gul. blockading squadron.

To the Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:

UNITED STATES STEAM SLOOP OF WAR ONEIDA, OFF MOBILE, Sept. 4, 1862.

SIR:—I regret to inform you that a three-masted screw steamer, wearing an English red ensign and pennant, and carrying four quarter boats, a battery of eighteen broadside guns, one or two pivots, and having every appearance of an English man-of-war, ran the blockade this afternoon, under the following circumstances:

I had sent the Winona to windward to speak a schooner standing on under sail. The smoke of a steamer was discovered, bearing about southeast and standing directly for us. Observing she was burning black smoke, I immediately signalled the Winona to chase at discretion. We soon neared the chase a ranger, in company with the Winona, who, as one approached, gradually hauled to the wind'ward. When abeam of him, about 100 yards distant, I hailed him, but received no answer. I then fired a shot across his bows. He still ranged ahead without stopping; but still thinking him an Engli-h man-of-war, I fired two more shots across his bows, and received a shot at him, which went over between his lower and main mast. He soon hauled down his flag and trailed his guns to bear on us; but hailing him no flag or ensign was hauled to fire. We continued firing at him, assisted by the Vienna and one of the mortar schooners, but he made such rapid headway, his superior speed and unparalleled audacity managed to escape us.

We sent our shot all around and over him, and are certain that several of our shell and the Winona's struck him.

With great mortification, your ob'd't serv't,

(Signed) GEORGE H. PREBLE, Com.

To Rear Admiral D. G. Farragut, Com'g, &c.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Sept. 26, 1862.

GENERAL ORDER.—Com. George Henry Preble, second in command of the squadron blockading force off Mobile, having been guilty of neglect of duty in permitting the armed steamer Oreto to run the blockade, is by order of the president dismissed from the naval service, from this date.

From Washington

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Wm. N. Ross, a relative of John Ross, has arrived here with a communication from the latter to the president, asking that the Cherokees be recognized in all their treaty rights, and setting forth that what was done by that nation seemingly favoring the rebels, was under duress and from intimidation.

Mail facilities have been restored to Fredericksburg, Hagerstown and intermediate points.

An order has been issued for the removal of all the criminals imprisoned in the penitentiary in this city, to the old county jail in Albany, N. Y., to afford an opportunity for an enlargement of the arsenal, made absolutely necessary by military exigencies.

By direction of the president, the States of Missouri, Arkansas and the bordering Indian territory will constitute the department of Missouri, and will be commanded by Major General S. R. Curtis, with his headquarters at St. Louis. Alton, Ill., is attached to the department of Missouri. Western Virginia is attached to the department of Ohio; headquarters at Cincinnati.

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Wantes.

WANTED—Board with the comforts of a home for an elderly lady, by a gentleman where there are few or no other boarders. Location, North Side preferred. Satisfactory reference exchanged. sep25-6t

WANTED—To Rent a small cottage house on the North Side, west of Clark street, and east of Lincoln. Rent not to exceed $12 per month. Address Post Office Box 1248. sep25-6t

WANTED—Boarding in a genteel private family, within the immediate vicinity of the North Market House. Address box 2016, Chicago, Ill. sep25-6t

WANTED—Orders from AGENTS AND BUTLERS For Union Variety Envelopes, Army Portfolios, Pencil Tablets, Union Paper and Envelopes, and all articles in this line. Orders receive prompt attention. Address F. A. THOMAS, Post Office Box 2016, Chicago, Ill. sep25-6t

WANTED.—Bankers or other business men in want of a competent and responsible Book Keeper will please address Post Office Box 1656. The advertiser has had twelve years experience in this city. He refers to a prominent business firm as Principal Book Keeper. sep25-6t

WANTED,

A BOOK-KEEPER'S SITUATION,

By a young man of experience. Salary not so much of an object, as a desire to learn. Address "B. K." Post Office, Chicago, Ill. sep25-6t

WANTED.—A position in any of the banking houses in this city, by a young man, who has by three years experience in the banking business, filled the office of Teller and Ticket Agent, and can fill any position under Paymaster, as testimonials from the highest reference given. Address "SOLICITOR," Tribune Office. sep25-6t

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A young man from 16 to 18 years old, who has had several years experience in a retail dry goods store. Such a one will find a permanent situation by applying at No. 134 Clark street. sep25-6t

WANTED—A young man of five years experience in the tobacco and cigar trade, and two years in a Grocery store, is desirous of employment in some respectable business where he can make himself generally useful. Wages no object. Can give good reference. Address Box 2016, Chicago, Ill. sep25-6t

WANTED.

To Wholesale Dry Goods Merchants.

Wanted by a man who understands his business, employment as salesman. Stock Keeper or shipping Clerk. The advertiser has had to leave his own business in consequence of the war, and now owns a home in a Loyal City. He has been employed in one of the first wholesale houses in that line, and can give the best of reference. Address "DRY GOODS," Post Office Box 2016, Quincy, Ill. sep25-6t

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